

REMARKS

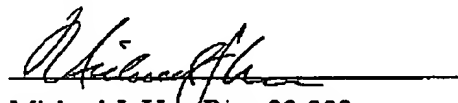
The Office Action of April 7, 2004 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3 were rejected as being anticipated by or unpatentable over various references including McDonald, Murdoch, Cole, Obuchi and Hochstein. The claims have been amended to more clearly distinguish over the cited references. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In particular, claim 1 has been amended to recite that the RF stage comprises electronically switched capacitors, controlled by a switch control circuit, for adjusting front-end selectivity of the RF stage to correspond to an established tuning frequency. Support for this amended is found, for example, in the paragraph spanning pages 3 and 4 of the specification as originally filed.

Claims 1 as amended is believed to patentably distinguish over the cited references. Claims 2 and 3 are believed to add novel and patentable subject matter to independent claim 1. Withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-3 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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